

## House Resolution No. 389

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge significant achievements garnered by Show-Me State residents who have risen to the top echelon of practitioners in their chosen fields of endeavor; and

**Whereas**, Joseph Patrickus of Camdenton, Missouri, has earned distinction in life through his impressive accomplishments as a master bootmaker; and

**Whereas**, universally praised as a master artist in the Missouri Traditional Arts Apprenticeship Program, Joseph Patrickus and his work were featured in a cover article in the summer 2002 edition of Artlogue, the quarterly newsletter published by the Missouri Arts Council; and

**Whereas**, Joseph Patrickus has received the latest in a long list of honors through the acceptance of examples of his creative handiwork by the "Legends of the West" exhibition at the George Bush Presidential Library in College Station, Texas; and

**Whereas**, maker of a style of footwear which is ubiquitous throughout the west, Joseph Patrickus skillfully creates one-of-a-kind pairs of boots which draw from a rich assortment of materials, decorative embellishments, and uses; and

**Whereas**, Joseph Patrickus is a rare example of a traditional craftsman who still lovingly creates objects by hand that typically are now mass produced by anonymous workers with the aid of machines:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the selection of work by Joseph Patrickus for inclusion in an exhibition at the George Bush Presidential Library in College Station, Texas, and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and best wishes for continued personal and professional success for many more years to come; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Joseph Patrickus of Camdenton, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Wayne Cooper  
District No. 155

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 389, adopted February 17, 2003.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker